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Previous references. (1923-24 Mar) File No. 37-23
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Later references.
Secy. 37-23-6, 8, 9
" 129-24-1-3
" 193-26-1-2
" 428-28-1-4

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1—5 d7

Part B for March 24

SUBJECT

Sri Somaswara Swami Temple at Nagari

GOP 1301-2 § 24.3.24
Sanctions an annual Saptha Grant of 200 Rs to the Temple &c.

MEMO NTERVIEW WITH THE DEWAN.

~~Saturday~~..... ....28 JUN 1923

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NE NOTES.

, etc., not intended for permanent record]

Name of Interviewer—

Representation in brief—

If. 410
28.6.23

Sub:

The following Muzrai record collections on the subject are first us-

(1) 531-18. 4 Collections

(2) 557-18. * 2 collections

(3) 251-22

(4) 196-20

(5) 1921 6.

2 The following points are note

(1) In para (10) of the letter of the Temple Renovation Committee dt 22-3-23, it is stated that the temple is without idols and that the following deities are necessary viz Lakshmi, Parvati, Chandikeswara, Ganapathi, with utsava moorties -

3 In para (14) of the same letter there is a prayer for the institution of daily worship in the temple -

4. In Cy no. 221-3/Mz 531-18-5 dt 18-7-22

Lawrence Temple
is marked
no doubt
but tell about the
myth behind
Recog. with
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G. R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

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the several prayers of Mr. Kannick Krishnamurti Rao regarding this temple have been disposed of -

5 In the Dy: Comrs report (Letter no. 1336 & 19th June 1920), this is stated leading to the above order, it is stated that weekly puja alone is being held in the temple, in as much as the temple is far away from the town, and the monthly allotment which is Rs 4-9-0 is quite insufficient to meet the cost of Daily worship.

Flag S

From the cash grant Register it will be seen that the annual tasdik grant to the temple is Rs 64-

6 The Mag: Supdt's inspection report of the Magadi Taluk on 12-7-17 gives an idea of the then condition of the temple building -

(557-18)

N. B Should routine notes be written on small slips the notes must be pasted, or slips pasted on this form.

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R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

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7 Reference to my note d
D. O. dated 18 July 1922
(Flag V) which deals with all
the representations then made
by Mr Rami Krishna Naidu
in regard to the Somarama
swami temple at Mafadi-
gutta Order, the grant of
a loan of Rs 25- per mensem from
the funds of the Rangasthala
swami temple at Narasannapeta to
the Somarama temple for a period
of 5 years was sanctioned.

8 I now receive the
Karuka Krishna murti praying
that the proposed State Grant
of Rs 64 per annum to the temple
might be raised to Rs 300
in the order dated 18 July
1922 just referred to vacat
the Grant of Rs 64 & sanc
as recommended by the Dt.
The request of the Krishna Mu

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G. R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

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That it may not be necessary to issue a Court Order provided the Defendant and any other person to the effect that he is restrained by the First Member's Court from taking such action as may be necessary to prevent the Defendant from removing the property which was subject to the Court's order and that he would not attempt to remove possible proceedings against the D.C. and the R.C.

Dewan's Order

9 Feb

On the interests of Shri Vasant Mandir Committee

It seems true that the disposal of the case is unsatisfactory Something requires to be done urgently

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on JUL 11 1923
Reg. No. 263

143.
5.7.23.

10 Rs will not be sanctioned for the temple from Rs 644 granted by the Government for the purposes of Shri Vasant Mandir Committee Rs 3000/- per annum

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430 / 16.7.23.

2nd Member)

16/7/23

11. Seen. D.C. expects in the meantime any decision. If no reply arrives by the date fixed a reminder may be issued. Submitted for orders.

17/7 14/8/23

17/7

2 No. 181 of 6/8/23 to the Mun. Comm. Jts. the petn. for a report.

12 No report from the Mun: Comm: has been received. Subm: for orders, as directed in para 11 above.

2nd Member) 20/8/23

458. 21.8.23. 20/8/23

13. Send a reminder & call for the remaining Mun. report Emg

23/8/23

14. Draft 27/8/23

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15. Draft reminder subm. [illegible]
SD 30/8/23 30/8/23

16. Issue
30/8/23

17. Reply received 23.
Still awaited from
1) The alleged that the title deed - In the Committee Custody have not been handed over
2) The Muz Com reports Still due

Meanwhile the matter was discussed by personal & reminders

18. Awaiting Status Quo Something should be done by the temple. [illegible]

A separate note on this point was submitted to the Revenue Minister requesting him to take the matter up with the Hindu Religious Endowments Board

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1.9.23 2nd Member

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19. Draft
sdcs
3/9/23

20. Draft letter to Muz: Comr subd.-[The
SD information called for by the Dewan
18.9.23. will be subd after issue of the Draft].

SD
19/9/23

21. Issue
sdcs
19/9/23

3 To the Muz: Comr, letter no. 457 dt 22.9.23.

Enquires why the sites acquired for the temple have not yet been handed over to the Renovation Committee and requests that the report called for in Sl. 2 may be subd early-

4 From the Muz: Comr.,
letter no. C. 1392 of 22-23 dt 22-10-23.

Submits the report called for in Sl. 2 in regard to the several prayers of Mr Ramiah M. Rao ~~re~~ in respect of the Sri Someswaraswami temple at Magadi-

22. The petn forwarded to M.C. with No. 181 dt 6-8-23 (Sl. 2) ~~has~~ for a report has not been returned. A Draft

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letter asking him to return it is subd for approval.

23. J 8/11

3/11/23 23/11/23

5 To the Muzrai Commr. No. 601 d. 10.11.23.
Requests that the petition of Mr Kamick
[illegible]

24. The petition called for from the Muz: Comr has not been recd. Mr Kamick Krishna-murti Rao has reminded about his application & sent a copy of his petition dd 22-3-23. The representations contained in the pet., the Muz: Comr's recommendation thereon, and previous orders of Govt regarding some of them have been briefly put in the (below) form of a tabular statement to give a clear idea of the case.

25. References Dewan's minutes in paras 17 & 18 of the office note.

Subd for orders.

20-12-23

26 An Examn of the Tabular Statement will show that

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almost all the points urged by the learned Krishnamachi have been disposed of in the G.O. of 18.7.22.

27. The paubq lands (item no 116) in the statement) is for correction

3.1.24

Rev. Secy).

190 / 7.1.24. II Member)

5.1.24.

28. Clear ~~for payment~~ prepare a revised statement ~~showing~~ showing only the ~~Inam~~ Cash Common watan Village Fishing rights under Inam & Zamindari Estates

do

29. Typed statement, as per orders above, is submitted.

7/1/24

~~Insert col 3 also why it was omitted~~

~~submitted~~.

11/1/23

30. Typed Statement submitted.

15.1.24.

390 / 15.1.24. 31. 2nd member).

32. This may be submitted to Dewan with reference to his minute dt 31/8/23

33. Action will be taken as indicated in the last column of the annexed statement, if approved by the Dewan

Dewan)

16/1/24

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34. Copies when ready
may be sent to
Mr. Ahmad Mukhtiar Khan
Bhatti Court
Pleader, Lahore for
information.

[illegible]

35. Mr. Kensal.

28.1.24.

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28.1.24.

2nd member.

36. Please submit with papers
asked for.

[illegible]
29.1.24.

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29 JAN 1924
SECRETARY.

37. Draft order is submitted.

38. Clear fair draft as required.

30/1/24.

34.1.24.

39. Typed draft submitted.

31.1.24

31.1.24

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Fair draft
[illegible]
1.2.24.

41. Typed draft submitted.

1.2.24

42. You have kept in touch about
this case previously to be given
for A/7.

2.2.24.

attended to.

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43 As the term of the temple Renovation Committee expired by the end of June 1923 and as the question of the appointment of Dharmadarsis to the temple will be considered only after the temple is renovated, it is a point for orders whether the term of the Renovation Committee may not be extended till the end of Dec. 24 or June 1925.

SD 2/2/24 44. An addition to para 6 of the draft to the effect that the Renovation Committee will stand, till Dharmadarsis are appointed, has been made, subject SD 8/2/24 to approval.

8.2.24.

45 (Rev. Secy) Draft in appl a ~~deputation~~ Communication received from Mr K. R Rao is placed below

380 14.2.24

14.2.24.

46 [illegible]

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47. Draft final note, as directed by the Hon'ble Member in para 46, is submitted.

19-2-24 19/2/24

Typed D.F.N is put up.

22/2/24 22/2/24

The D.F.N has been revised & typed.

23-2-24 23/2/24

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A draft order in the terms proposed from
enquiries by the Dewan in his minute
dt. 16.1.44 is put up

As the case is of some importance &
I understand that Mr Kothandaramaiah (the
late Private Secretary to H.H.) I have thought
it desirable to report the facts of this case
& the order now proposed to the Palace, for
information of His Highness & have put up
a formal note accordingly for submission to
His Highness, if the Dewan sees no
objection to it

Dewan

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Papers
to Mr Menon.

Y. J

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Final Note by the Second Member of Council.

Subject:—

The Sri Someswaraswami temple at Magadi.

The Sri Someswaraswami temple which is situated at a distance of one mile to the west of Magadi Town and by the side of the Magadi-Kunigal Road is an old Muzrai Institution which is said to have been built about the year 1712 by Mummadi Kempe Veerappa Gowda, son of Mummadi Dodda Veerappa Gowda, a scion of the famous Magadi Kempe Gowda and to have been endowed by him with three inam villages - Jettanahalli, Shirupathahalli and Kempaveeranagathapete. In course of time, however, the temple got neglected and fell into ruins and the inam villages which had been endowed to it were resumed by Government, only a small annual tasdik of Rs.64/- being continued to the institution. The steady and continuous deterioration and neglect came to a climax in 1914 when the temple which had no doors was entered into by a Mahommedan who removed the idol of Someswara and disfigured the Ammanavara Vigraha. This act of vandalism and sacrilege aroused the dormant interest of the Hindu residents of the Magadi Town and Taluk in the temple; and under the leadership of Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthi Rao and some other influential ~~and important~~ persons in the taluk they began to agitate for the restoration of the temple and its preservation as a historical monument on account of its connection with the family of Kempe Gowda, the founder of Bangalore.

2. Government in their Order No.2398-9/Muz.507-13-4 dated the 26th April 1915 sanctioned an expenditure of Rs.250/- for the purification of the temple and the consecration of fresh idols and called for an estimate for necessary repairs to the temple.

A rough estimate for Rs.45,800/- for the restoration of the temple was furnished by the Chief Engineer in October 1917. But as it was considered too costly, a revised estimate, for Rs.7,452/- for effecting such urgent repairs as were deemed necessary to ensure the stability of the structure, was got prepared in December 1918. The estimate could not, however, be sanctioned as the temple had no funds at its credit and as it was not found possible to find provision for it either in the Muzrai or P.W.D. Budgets. Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthi Rao having thereupon come forward with a proposal for the formation of a Committee consisting of himself and other gentlemen for the collection of voluntary contributions from the devotees for the repairs of the temple, Government in their Order No.4237-9/Muz.531-18-17 dated 6th February 1922 sanctioned the formation of the Committee and on the further representations made by Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthi Rao, the following concessio were also sanctioned in Government Order No.221-3/Muz.531-18-25 dated 18th July 1922:-

(1) A State grant of Rs.2,000/- (equal to the sum collected by the Renovation Committee) for the repairs of the temple;

(2) The levy of fees on cattle and shops during the Jatra, as a source of income to the temple;

(3) A grant of Rs.25/- per mensem to the temple as a loan from the funds of the Tirumale Sri Ranganathaswami Temple for a period of five years;

(4) Approval of the acquisition of S.No.4 of Vadlarpalya for the purpose of the temple Rathothsavam and for building houses as soon as sufficient funds were also available for the purpose by the Committee.

3. Since the above order was passed further represent having been made by Mr. Krishnamurthi Rao in regard to

the assistance required for the conduct of services in the temple etc., the Muzrai Commissioner has recommended certain additional concessions. The several concessions asked for by Mr. Krishnamurthi Rao and the action proposed to be taken by Government in respect of them on the recommendation of the Muzrai Commissioner are noted below; ~~in respect of each of the~~

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(1) The grant, free of cost, of 220 acres, 15 guntas of land assessed at Rs.192/- out of the area selected by the Committee in Kasaba Magadi and in the villages of Adakamaranahalli, Thagachakuppe, Bachenahalli and Thippasandra.

It is proposed to sanction the grant of the lands to the temple subject to the condition that half the value of the Malki on the lands should be recovered, the other half being waived as a special case.

(2) A suitable annual State grant for the maintenance of the temple.

Mr. Krishnamurthi Rao has asked for an annual grant of Rs.3,000/-. It is not possible (nor is it necessary) to sanction such a large grant for the temple. It is therefore proposed to sanction an annual grant of Rs.200/- only in addition to the present grant of Rs.64/- the charge being met from the savings which will be effected by the abolition of some of the Muzrai Chattrams and resthouses. The grant will be made payable after the renovation of the temple is completed.

(3) The reduction of the devotees' contribution for the repairs of the temple from one-half to one-fourth of the cost.

It is not possible to sanction this now in the present state of our finance. This will be deferred for the present as proposed by the Muzrai Commissioner.

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(4) Conversion of the temple into a major Muzrai Institution and the appointment of Dharmadarsis.

This will be sanctioned after the renovation of the temple is completed and the enhanced grant sanctioned above is given effect to. Till then the Renovation Committee formed for the collection of contributions from devotees for the repairs of the temple building and approved by Government in their order No.4237-9/Muz.531-18-17 dated 6-2-1922 will continue.

(5) The establishment of a chattram at Magadi.

This has been already negatived in Government Order No.90/Muz.6-23-2 and 527/Muz.6-23-4 dated 20-7-23 and 13-10-23 respectively, and there are no reasons to reconsider the decision.

(6) Eerection of a statue of Kempe Gowda.

The Renovation Committee will be asked to submit definite proposals through the Muzrai Commissioner as to the nature of the statue proposed to be put up, the place where they wish to erect it and the cost of erection etc.

4. A draft order on the above lines has been put up and it is submitted herewith for His Highness' gracious perusal and approval.

8th March 1924.

OFFG: SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second Member of Council regarding the representations of Mr. Karnik Krishna murthy Rao, and the action proposed to be taken by Government, in the matter of the renovation of the Sri Someswaraswami - Temple at Magadi.

Lake View,
Mysore, 11th March 1924.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

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Representations of Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthy Rao, and the action proposed to be taken by Government in the matter of the renovation of the Sri Someswaraswami Temple at Magadi.

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Order.

~~K R W~~

12/3/24

Revised

A R

Submitted 6 2 P/

In perusal

2nd member

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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7	To the Mavrgnai Commr. & Comptroller. M. 1901-2 dt. 24.3.24. Passes orders in the matter of the annual representations made by Mr. Kasmik Krishnamurthi Rao in connection with the renovation of the above temple, and sanctions an annual grant of Rs. 2 00 in addn. to the present grant, the charge being met from the savings effected by the abolition of some of the Thattarams in the State.

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Temple, Mayrai Commissioner's recommendation

Representations of Mr. Karnik Krishnamurti Rao	Mayrai Commissioner's thereon.
1(a) The Inam villages of Jallanahalli Shripathihalli, which were in the enjoyment of the temple, have been alienated. It is, therefore, necessary that the temple should have some income for its up-keep and for the performance of its daily worship.	1(a) Twenty two Sur: nos, measng. and assessed at Rs 192-0-0 may be made over to the temple payment of the estimate from the temple funds and the 3rd year of the grant.
1(b) An extent of 500 acres of land, free of cost, may kindly be granted for the use of the temple & its servants.	
(2) An annual grant of Rs 3000/- for the maintenance of the temple & worship therein. (vide petn. for details)	2. The amount asked for is too hi the interest on govt. Mys: Fund of temple funds, is opposed to themselves. No temple in the S Bhamrajnagar, is rich enough Rs 3000/- for the benefit of the therefore, that a grant ~~made~~ me State Funds, as a special cas
(3) Reduction of the devotees' for the repairs of the temple from one- to one fourth [This is allied to the prayer in Sl no. 8 below.].	3). Agrees with the D.C. that deferred for the present.
(4) Consecration of some more idols in the temple, recovering half the cost there of from the devo-tees and grant the temple sites, free of cost, to temple servants.	4) As it is not clear how the payable to Govt. is proposed report in the matter will be
5) Erection of Kempe Gowda's Statue.	5) Should not be deferred, as prop as it is a necessary element incl repairs.
6) Inclusion of the temple under Major Mayrai institutions & Dharmadarsis appointed to it.	6) The temple may be classed as institution & the gentlemen n notified as Dharmadarsis.

Krishnamurti Rao about the Magadi Sri Someswaraswami previous orders of Govt in the matter.

mendation	Previous orders of Govt	Remarks and orders of Govt
0 acres, 15 guntas selected area ubject to the ki of Rs 995 ssessment from	1(a) Rejects the prayer for the restoration of the villages as inam to the temple. (Para 3 of G.O. No. 221-3/Mis 531-18-25 dt 18/7/22).	The list of lands proposed to be given is flagged F in the Vernacular Records therein all assessed lands. The list shows that that the other Dasikhastam pattah lands. The grant of these lands as proposed by the Asst. Comm is for Mers.
d its grant from n the investment cets of the funds xcept that of pare annually e. Recommends, e made out of	2. In para 5 of the above order it has been stated that the present cash grant of Rs Rs 64 per annum could not be enhanced to Rs 100. ~~They~~ It was stated that there was no objection to a loan of Rs 25/ p.m. being given from the Tirumala temple for a period of 5 years	Nothing men seems to be possible
question may be		Until this amount is spent, & further repairs are still required, this work does not arise
ety of the cost ie met, a further tained & subj-	3) In para 2 of the above order, a contribution of Rs 2000 out of the State grant was sanctd, subject to the contribution of an equal amount by the devotees.	may be awaited. may be deferred as recommended by D.C.
ed by the D.C., ed in the temple)	4) In the last sentence of para 5 of the above order, it was stated that the question of treating the temple as a minor institution & appointing Dharmadarsis therefor ~~would~~ be considered after the total income of the temple is found to be Rs 100 or more per year.	~~Result~~ Until the Income of the temple is definitely fixed, it would not be possible to bring the temple under any class
major mugrai eady nominated		

1) Establishment of a challaan at Mugabi by enlarging the savings effected by the closing of certain challaans in the State

2) The request has been twice Di

3) Grant of full powers to the Committee to spend from the collections under the Direct orders of the DC without the intervention of the Taluk authorities,

4) Agrees with the Dy Comr in this a course is not likely to help the the man on the spot who can attention to help the Commi institutions classed as major control of the local Mysore departure from this established be of advantage.

The proposal of the D. C. to replace the Renovation Committee, whose term of office was over by June 23, by a Committee of Dharmadarsis, with power to receive voluntary contributions, is placed in sus. pending the return of a pet. from the Mug: Comr. (vide Mug: File no. (2 57-22-5).

owed by Govt.

7) Letter no. 90/Mug 6-23-2 & 20-7-23 to the Mug: Comr. and Letter no. 527/Mug 6-23-4 & 13-10-23 to the Mug: Comr.

ion that such mmittee, as it is be constant in its work. All under the direct officers and a practice will not

8) In the last para of Gr. O. no. 221-3/Mug 531-18-25 & 18-7-22, Govt. have agreed with the Dy. Comr. in his view that there was not much force in the representations about the authority to whom accounts should be subd. and that the prayer for grant of power to the committee to spend from the collections may be reserved for consideration when the full contribution for the temple repairs is paid up.

9.1.24.

P.W.2

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8 or 10 thousand
wanted from Govt
for repairs.
Rs 3,000 immediately

Rs 3000 for idols & Pratishta

Annual fraud of Rs 3,000 for Sevas.

D. 6899 22.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Mzyral Department,

B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

I beg to state that in April last I gave an application to the Government praying that certain facilities might be granted for the renovation and improvement of worship in Sri Somesw[illegible], Swami Temple of M[illegible]. Orders on it have yet been passed. The Dewan and the members of council were pleased to promise in the last Representative Assembly to consider the case sympathetically and pass orders within a month. It is nearly a couple of months since this promise was made but no orders have yet been issued on the subject.

I beg to submit here with a copy of the said application for ready reference.

This year's Jatra is fast approaching and I beg that favourable orders may be passed as early as possible.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

your most obedient servant

[signature]

[illegible]

From

The Renovation Committee,

Shri Someshvara Temple,

M A G A D I.

To

Sir,

The Committee beg to approach the Government with a prayer for the kind consideration of the following points, in connection with the improvement of the Temple which has an ancient history behind. The preservation of the Temple will doubtless add to the glory of the Model State of Mysore and to the fame and virtue of the Mysore Royal House.

The Temple has no inam lands at present and the two villages, Juttanahalli and Shripatihalli, which were in the enjoyment of the Temple, have been unfortunately alienated. It is necessary therefore, that this Temple must have some steady income for its upkeep and for the proper performance of all its daily worship.

The undermentioned staff is absolutely necessary to carry on the daily worship:--

1.	3 Archikas on Rs.10/- each, one for Shri Someshvara, one for Shri Parvatamma, one for Shri Vishnu.	Rs.30/- per month.
2.	Three permanent lights at each shrine.	Rs.1 /- "
3.	Naivedya for three deities.	Rs.3/- "

4.	4 Sthanecks or Temple Servants, at Rs.8/- each.	Rs.32/-	per month.
5.	2 Watchmen at Rs.8/- each.	Rs.16/-	"
6.	3 Pipers at Rs.5/- each.	Rs.15/-	"
7.	3 Vedaparayana Rs.5/- each.	" 15/-	"
8.	1 Almanack reciter or panchanga.	" 3/-	"
9.	1 Purupathegar.	" 2/-	"
10.	2 Mashaltis Rs.5/- each.	" 10/-	"
11.	1 Sweeper	" 6/-	"
12.	1 Jinnangali(Music).	" 3/-	"
13.	1 Jagate.	" 3/-	"
14.	1 Nagari or drummer.	" 3/-	"
15.	Contingencies.	" 10/6-	"
	Total.	Rs.187/6-per month.	
		Rs.2,250/-	per annum.
16.	Car Festival.	" 20 /-	"
17.	Girija Kalyana.	" [illegible] /-	"
18.	Feeding the Brahmins on two days, one day in Car Festival and one day in Girija Kalyana in the name of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.	" 30/-	"
	Grand Total .	Rs.2,700/-	per annum.

The above amount is absolutely necessary for Temple worship and we urge that the principle nobly enunciated by Sir A. Sheshadri Iyer in the matter of Shri Varadaraje-shvara Temple, Hardhar Taluk, and Shri Arunachaleshvara and Gopalakrishnaswamy Temples at Harohalli, Kanakanhalli Taluk, may kindly be followed with regard to the Nagadi Temple as well.

It is superfluous to point out here, that places of worship, like Churches, Temples and Mosques are places which are calculated to conduce to the devotional and

spiritual well being of the people and should be specially fostered by the Government; and the Huzarai and Archaiological departments should endeavour to keep up the devotion of the citizens, so as to make them Godfearing and law-abiding.

We beg, therefore, to pray that Government may be pleased to sanction an annual grant of Rs.6,000/- for the maintenance of the Temple and worship therein.

It is further prayed that an extent of 10 acres of land free of cost may kindly be granted and made over to the Temple for the use of the Temple and servants. A large extent of waste land is available in Amikatta, Hayasandra, Maronalli, Haleri, etc., and Amrtamahal and Gomala Lands, or date groves may be set apart for temple purposes.

The Committee collects a sum of Rs.4,[illegible]/- out of which they have paid Rs.2,[illegible]/- for repairs, Rs.1,4[illegible]/- for land aquisition and Rs.[illegible]/- for exchange in selling the Government Loan Bonds and have on hand about Rs.[illegible]/- in the shape of bonds and cash.

The Committee find it unable to collect more, and therefore, pray that the order of the Government requiring them to pay half the renovation cost may [illegible] be modified so as to make it one fourth. The repairs may kindly be completed before the next Rathotsavam - January 1924.

The temple is without idols and the following deities are necessary:- Vishnu, with Lakshmi, Garudi, Chandikeshvara, Ganapathi, with utsava Murthis. Committee will bear half the cost of the deities.

The figure of Kempegowda has to be installed in the temple precincts and a fine marble or bronze figure may kindly be ordered to be installed. Kempegowda is a historical personage and the archaiological department may kindly be ordered to take interest to put up his figure.

The temple may kindly be included in the list of major institutions, as a special case, and the following gentlemen appointed by Government as Dharmadarshies for it.

1. Mr. Marnick Krishnamurti Rao, Chairman.
2. " Ranyam Rangaswami Sastry, Secretary.
3. " ...s. Krishna Rao,
4. " B. Ranjundiah.
5. " Srinivasa Rajaram Mudaliar City.
6. " Kasi Venkatanarayana Sastry.
7. " Londahalli Chandrappa.

The Committee also pray that they may be given powers to deal with the temple affairs and allowed to carry on correspondence with the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, for obvious reasons.

The land applied at Doddarapalya survey No., need not all be auctioned. The temple servants may be given sites free of cost and some sites may be given for an upset price of Rs.35/- each, to those who undertake to finish construction of the house within 6 months, to act as an incentive for early building, as the site is far from the town of Magadi.

The matter is an important one concerning an ancient religious institution and the Committee appeal to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja, to restore the temple and to see daily Poorthi, carried on, for the purpose of keeping up religious devotion of the subjects.

~~The amount necessary can be made available in [illegible] Rs~~

The amount necessary can be made available in the next budget according to the revised estimate to be prepared by the executive Engineer as the surrounding mantaps have to be repaired before the next Rathotsavam, for the installation of the deities and for placing the surroundings in proper order. The whole renovation has to be carried on without delay.

The Committee need not emphasise the importance of temple worship at this stage. It is but necessary that temples, especially temples of historical importance, have to be kept up, and preserved in all their grandeur and sanctity, and we beg therefore that Government may be pleased to pass early and favourable orders on the matters above represented.

Bangalore City.
22nd Mar. 1923.

We beg to remain,
Sir,
Your most obedient servants,

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To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Muzrai Department,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I beg respectfully to state that the several applications submitted to you, to the Second Member of Council, and to the Dewan Sahib regarding the Sri Someswara Swami Temple at Magadi have had no final disposal. I beg therefore to request that the following points requiring urgent disposal may be kindly taken into consideration and favourable orders passed thereon:--

(1) The temple enjoys a cash grant of Rs. 64/- a year, and the Government were pleased to sanction a loan of Rs. 300/- per year from the funds of the Sri Ranganatha Swami Temple for a period of 5 years. The scale of expenditure amounts to Rs. 364/- was accordingly fixed and sanctioned. The scale thus sanctioned is so meagre that no Archaka or any other temple servant could be found to do any kind of service in the temple for the amounts fixed in the scale. This has resulted in the daily worship having been stopped for a long time. Unless a decent scale of salaries is fixed, there is no prospect of the temple securing the services of competent archaks and other servants. That is why I had applied for a grant of Rs.3000/- per annum. If this is not feasible at present I beg that at least a grant of Rs. 1200/- per year may be sanctioned from the Government so that daily worship and other Sevas may be performed satisfactorily.

(2) As regards repairs of the temple, I beg to state that the Government were pleased to give Rs.2000/- and this altogether with a like sum contributed by the Renovation Committee was spent in the construction of the Swami's Garbhagudi last year. The work remaining to be done is enormous ; viz, Ammanavara Garbhagudi, the shrines of Vishnu, Chandikeswara, Ganapathi, and Kalyanamandapa as also the outer gates and doors of the inner shrines. The renovation work is in progress and no amount has been sanctioned for

the same this year. As the daily worship to the main deity cannot be performed in the absence of Amanavar and Vishnushrines the repair work has got to be done as soon as possible and so I beg that a sum of Rs. 5000/- may be sanctioned for the year for this purpose.

(3) As regards the free grant of lands to the temple for which applications have been submitted by me, I beg to state that a selection of lands was made out of the B list without actually seeing them and finding out whether they are cultivable or not. But I now find that some of them are quite useless for the purpose of cultivation. I beg that 500 acres of land either in Magadi taluk or Kunigal Taluk boardering on Magadi, may be kindly sanctioned out of Gomal, Forest and Excise Reserve, Amritmahal kavals etc., and that I may be given the choice of selection in the lands for being granted to the temple.

(4) The temple is in need of Vigrahas of Parvati, Vishnuand Lakshmi, Ganapathi and Chandikeswara etc. as the idols already existing were broken by the mischievous people a few years ago, when Government sanctioned expenses of Samprokshanam etc. A sum of Rs 3500/- is required for making these idols and I beg that at least half of this amount may besanctioned from Government. A statue of Kempegowda to whom this temple owes its origin has to be installed in the temple and it is under contemplation to approach His Highness the Maharaja to perform the Installation ceremony. I accordingly beg that as these works are very urgent the necessary funds may be kindly sanctioned at a very early date.

(5) The Rathauthsavam of this year will be held on the 17th instant, and the annual function of reading the report and distribution of prizes to deserving cattle etc, will be held on the 20th instant. I beg that final orders on all these matters may be passed before that date so that due commencement of the orders may be made for the encouragement and enthusiasam of the public in the affairs of this ancient and time-honoured temple.

I beg to remain

sir

your most obedient servant

Bangalore
11th Feb-24

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Date of issue 6.8.23

To
The Asst. Comr.

Signed by Asst. C. Subbarayappa.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith for favour of an early report ~~early disposal~~, petition regd. no. 126 from Mr Karrick Reddy, Attorney Ren. proprietor for himself and tenants &c. cover. [illegible]

DOI. forwarding the petition & the Asst. Comr. is to Enq. & Rep.

The connected file may be put up.

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This draft has been prepared with a view to serve as a reminder to the lower officers to send up the reports expected soon.

3/8/23

of Sri Sanmuga
Swami Temple Building
at Nagadi, and
also for ~~enhanced~~
an annual grant
in consideration of
Some main villages
alleged to have
been ~~taken under~~
~~Govt management~~.

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honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient

servant,

Asst. Secretary

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Murthi Rao
9.1.23

To The Rev Secy
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D.O. No. 457

Date of issue 22.9.23

To

The Muzrai Commissioner,
Bangalore.

Signed by Mr. D.C. Subbarayappa

Dear Sir,

continuation of the above letter No. 181/Mus 37-23-23, 5-2-23 and reminder thereto calling for a report in the matter of help applied for for the renovation of the Sri Somesvara swami temple at Magadi etc, I am directed to state that it is the desire of the Hon'ble Minister that the sites acquired for the temple

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compound, for which the
Committee contributed, have
not yet been handed over
possession and to enquire why
there has been delay in handing over the same.
~~it has been delayed~~ -

I am to invite your personal attention to this
subject ~~of this correspondence~~ and to request that
~~should be treated as urgent~~
~~and~~ the report called for may be sent
~~before the~~ at a very early date.

Yours Sincerely
~~I have etc~~

Secretary

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

C No 1392/22-23

Bangalore..... ..21st...October...1923...
Camp Mysore,

Encl. one & 3 files

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FROM

K. Chandy, Esq., B.A.,
& Muzrai
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore,

REVENUE SECRETARIAT
29 OCT 1923
MUZRAI
D. 480

To

The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.181/M.F.37-23-2 dated 6th August 1923 and subsequent communications, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of letter No.O.C.2454 of 22-23 dated 14th October 1923 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, submitting a detailed report on the several requests made by Mr. K. Krishnamurti Rao on behalf of the Renovation Committee for the improvement of the Sri Someswaraswami temple at Magadi.

2. The grant on account of Nityakatle and Hetchukatle expenses asked for by the Committee amount to Rs.3,000/- a year and this has been proposed to be met either (i) from the General Muzrai Funds, or (ii) from the interest accruing from the investment of Muzrai Funds or(iii)from the income of some rich temples in the State.

I am of opinion that the amount asked for is too high not capable of being easily complied with and that its grant from the General Muzrai Funds or from the interest accruing from the investment of Muzrai Funds is opposed to the object of the Fund itself. Except the temple of Sri Chamarajeswaraswami at Chamarajanagar and one or two other institutions, no other temple in the State is rich enough to spare a sum of Rs.3,000/- annually for the benefit of

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FROM

K. Chandy, Esq., B.A.,
& Muzrai
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue *Department.*

Dated 21st October 1923.

Despatched

Received

General No.

Enclosure No.

SUBJECT.

Submits herewith a detailed report on the several requests made by Mr. K. Krishnamurti Rao on behalf of the Renovation Committee for the improvement of the Sri Someswaraswami temple at Magadi.

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this temple.

I beg therefore to recommend that as much grant as could be made available may be sanctioned from the State Funds, as a special case.

3. The twenty two survey numbers measuring 220 acres 15 guntas and assessed at Rs.192-0-0 may be made over to the temple, subject to the payment of the estimated malki of Rs.995/- from the temple funds and the full assessment from the third year of the grant.

4. As regards the consecration of some more idols in the temple and the grant of the temple sites free to servants and at an upset price to others, it is not clear how it is proposed to meet the moiety of the cost payable by Government. A further report in the matter will be obtained and submitted.

As already recommended, the temple may be classed as a major Institution and the gentlemen already nominated notified as Dharmadarsis.

5. The Deputy Commissioner is of opinion that the consideration of the proposals to reduce the devotee's contribution towards the temple repairs and the erection of Kempe Gowda's Statue may be deferred for the present; I am in agreement with him as regards the first matter, but am of opinion that the erection of Kempe Gowda's statue should not be deferred, and is, in fact, a necessary element involved in this additional expenditure.

6. The request of the residents of Magadi to open a Chattram at the place has been disallowed by Government. This order has again been confirmed in connection with the further representation made by Mr. K. Krishnamurti Rao.

7. As regards the enhanced powers asked for by the Committee to spend from the collections under the orders of the Deputy Commissioner and without intervention of the Taluk authorities, I am

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in agreement with the Deputy Commissioner's opinion to the effect that such a course is not likely to help the Committee as it is the man on the spot who can devote constant attention to help the Committee in its work.

All institutions classed as major are under the direct control of the Local Muzrai Officers and a departure from this established practice will not be of advantage.

8. I solicit the favour of early orders on the several proposals made above.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Chaudry

Muzrai Commissioner.

BR.

Letter No.O.C.2454 of 22-23 dated 14th October 1923 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.C.1392 of 22-23 dated of the 11th July 1923 and letter of even number of the 24th September 1923 and in continuation of this office letter No.O.C.2454 of 22-23 of the 14th August 1923, re the improvements to the Sri Someswara-swami temple at Magadi, I have the honour to state that from a perusal of all the petitions presented by Mr. Karnik Krishnamurti Rao, it is found that he asks for the following concessions:-

(1) Grant of Rs.187-8-0 per mensem or Rs.2,250/- per annum for "Nityakatle expenses".

(2) Grant of Rs.750/- per annum for Hetchukatle expenses.

(3) Grant of about 500 acres of land free of cost.

(4) Reduction of the devotees' contribution towards the repairs of the temple from one-half to one-fourth.

(5) Consecretion of some more idols in the temple recovering half the cost thereof from the devotees.

(6) Erection of Kempe Gowda's Statue.

(7) Inclusion of the temple under Major Muzrai Institutions.

(8) Grant of the temple sites free to the temple servants and at an upset price to others.

(9) Transfer of some Chattram establishment to the temple at Sivakutam, and

(10) Grant of full powers to the Committee to spend from the collections under the orders of the Deputy Commissioner and without the intervention of the Taluk authorities.

2. On these requests a report having been made in this office No.O.C.2454 of 22-23 dated 14th June 1923, definite proposals have been called for in your letter No.C.1392 of 22-23 dated 14th August 1923. The grant of funds under items 1 and 2 may be met either (1) from the General Muzrai Funds, or (2) from the interest accruing from the investment of Muzrai Funds as suggested by Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthi Rao or (3) from the income of some rich temples in the State for some years till Someswaraswami's temple is financially improved. If as much as is asked cannot be given as much as can be spared may be given.

3. As regards item No.3, the Renovation Committee have

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applied for the grant of 388 acres of land as detailed in the enclosed list. The lands are assessed waste and the value of Malki on 20 out of 32 survey numbers is estimated at Rs.995/-. The malki on the remaining 12 numbers has yet to be ascertained The Sub Division Officer (Mr. M. Navaneetham Naidu) opines that request for the grant of these lands to the temple itself is a v laudable one, calling for consideration in the interests of this institution - the Someswara Temple - an ancient "monument of historic importance, much neglected, but now under renovation. Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthi Rao is taking a keen interest in the renovation and improvement". Agreeing with the Sub Division Officer, I recommend the grant to the temple, of the twenty survey numbers, measuring 220 acres 15 guntas and assessed at Rs.192-0-0 on which malki is estimated at Rs.995/- on condition that the templ pays to Government the malki immediately and the full assessment from the third year of the grant. The request for the grant of the remaining 12 numbers may be reserved for future consideration after watching for a couple of years as to how the present grant would be utilised.

4. Items 5, 7 and 8 may be granted. Items 4 and 6 may be deferred for the present. There is no objection, only more funds are required. Item No.9 (Sivakutam) has already been disallowed by Government (vide correspondence ending with your No.C.1696 of 22-23 dated 26th July 1923). Suggestion No.10 is not likely to help the committee in its object as it is the man on the spot who can devote constant attention to help the committee in its work.

5. Orders of Government may kindly be obtained extending the term of the Renovation Committee as recommended in this office lettor No.O.C.2454 of 22-23 dated 14th August 1923. Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthi Rao suggests that two names (viz., Messrs. Kasi Venkatanarayana Sastri and Kondahalli Sankarappa) may be added to the list of Dharmadarsis. This suggestion will be taken into consideration when the temple is classed as a Major Institution.

6. All the petitions received with your letters and the file

of vernacular papers received from the Sub Division Officer are herewith submitted. It may be added that the lands asked for by the Committee had been advertised for sale and the sale has been held in abeyance. Very early orders are therefore necessary in the matter of the grant of lands.

" C o p y "

Muzrai Commissioner.

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Date of issue 10. 11. 23

Signed by Mr T Ramaiya

To

The Mun Comr in Mysore

Bangalore -

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. C. 1392 of 22-23 dt 22-10-23 forwarding a detailed report received from the Dy: Comr on the several requests made by Mr V. Krishnamurthy Rao for the improvement of the Sri Somesvaraswami temple at Magadi, I am directed to

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No. 126 of Mr Krishnamurti Rao,

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Proceedings of the Government of H. H.

the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read.-

G.O. No.221-3/Muz.531-18-25 dated 18th July 1922 approving of the proposals made by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, for the renovation of Sri Someswaraswami temple at Magadi and for the conduct of regular worship therein.

2. Petition dated the 24th April 1923 fro Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthy Rao making further representations in the matter.

3. Correspondence ending with letter No. 1392 of 1922-23 dated 22-10-23 from the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore making certain recommendations on the representations made by Mr. Karn Krishnamurthy Rao.

Order No. 1301-C dated

The prayers of Mr. Karnik Krishnamurthy Rao are as follows:-

1. Grant of 500 acres of land, free of cost in lieu of the villages of Sripathikal and Juttanahalli, whose restoration as Inam was refused by Govt. in para. 3 of the order read above.

2. An annual grant of Rs.3000 from State Funds for the maintenance of, and worship in, the temple.

3. Reduction of the devotees' contribution for the repairs of the temple from half as ordered in para. 2 (1) of order read above, to one fourth.

4. Consecration of some more idols in the temple, recovering only half the cost from the devotees, and the grant of suitable sites, free of cost, to the servants.

5. Erection of Kempegowda's statue in temple.

6. Inclusion of the temple under major Muzrai Institutions and the appointment of Dharmadarsis.

7. Grant of full powers to the Committee to spend ~~from~~ money from the funds of the temple under the direct orders of the Deputy Commissioner without the intervention of the Taluk authorities.

8. Establishment of a chattram at Magadi by utilizing the savings effected by the closing of certain chattrams in the State.

2. With regard to the prayer for the grant of 500 acres of land, free of cost, for the upkeep of the temple, the Muzrai Commissioner recommends that ~~22~~ 17 survey numbers (mentioned in the margin) measuring 220 acres, 15 guntas and assessed at Rs. 192/- out of the area that has been selected by the temple Committee may be made over to the temple, subject to the payment of the estimated malki of Rs. 995/- from the temple funds and the recovery of full assessment from the third year of the grant. Government are pleased to sanction the Muzrai Commissioner's recommendation for the grant of the lands with the modification that, as a special case, only half the value of the malki ~~should~~ may be recovered, and ~~that~~ the other half ~~may be~~ have waived. The lands should be registered in the name of the temple.

Magadi Kasaba
S.Nos. 201, 202, 205 & 208.
Adakamaranahalli
S.No. 48.
Thagachakuppe
S.No 16.
Bachenahalli
S.Nos. 12, 19, 22, 52, 68
73, 75, 76 & 77.
Thippasandra
S.No. 284 & 281.

(The S.Nos are only 17 and not 22 as stated by the Mys: Comm:)
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3. With regard to the prayer for an annual grant of Rs.3000/- for ~~the~~ maintenance of the temple, Government are pleased to sanction an annual grant of Rs. 200/- in addition to the present grant, the charge being met from the savings effected by the abolition of some of the chattrams. This grant will ~~be~~ payable ~~only~~ after the renovation of the temple is

4. With regard to the prayer for the reduction of the devotees' contribution for the repairs of the temple from one half to one-fourth, Govt. ~~direct that the question may be~~ deferred ~~for~~ the present.

5. ~~With~~ As regard ~~to~~ the consecration of some more ~~kxxdx~~ idols in the temple, recovering half the cost thereof from the devotees, the Muzrai Commissioner states that as it is not clear how the moiety of the cost payable by Govt. is proposed to be met, a further report in the matter would be obtained from the Deputy Commissioner and submitted to Govt. The Muzrai Commissioner's further report will be awaited.

6. ~~As regards~~ The question of the conversion of the temple into a major Muzrai Institution and appointment of Dharmadarsis, ~~the question~~ will be considered after the renovation of the temple is completed and the enhanced grant sanctioned above is given effect to. Till then the Renovation Committee formed for the collections of contributions from devotees for the repairs of the temple building, and approved by Govt. in their order No. 4237-9/Muz 5-31-18-17 dt 6-2-22 will ~~stand~~ continue.

7. Govt. have, in their order No.90/Muz.6-23-2 and 527/Muz.6-23-4 dated 30-7-23 and 13-10-23 respectively, already ordered that the establishment of a chattram at Magadi cannot be sanctioned and they see no reasons to reconsider the decision.

8. With regard to the grant of full powers to the Committee to spend from the collections under the direct orders of the Deputy Commissioner without the intervention of the Taluk authorities, Govt. ~~observe~~ have noted the contents. As the Amildar's powers and responsibilities, as Taluk Muzrai officers cannot be interfered with.

9. ~~The question of erecting a statue of Kempegowda is one in which the Renovation Committee~~ should take necessary action. If any help from Govt. is required, detailed proposals may be submitted for the consideration of Govt. and they will receive sympathetic consideration.

Rev. Secy. to Govt.

To

The Muz. Commr. (returning the file of Ver. records)

The Comptroller to Govt.

Copy to Mr. K. Krishnamurthi Rao for information.

By order,

Rev. Secy. to Govt.